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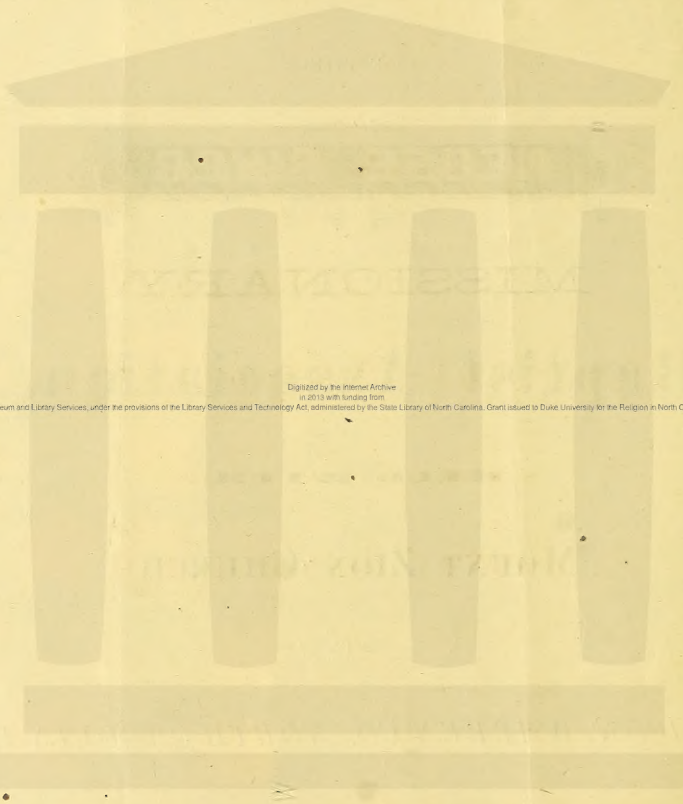

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Rev. G. H. White, President, Wilmington, N. C.
" Milan Brown, Vice-President, Halifax, N. C.
A. P. Robinson, Rec. Sec., Halifax, N. C.
" S. G. Newsome, Cor. Sec., Margaretsville, N. C.
" Joseph Baysmore, Auditor, Weldon, N. C.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

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Rev. A. N. Buck, Halifax, N. C.
Rev. Joseph Baysmore, Weldon N. C.
" A. J. Jackson, Halifax, N. C.
Rev. H. J. Johnson, Halifax, N. C.
" W. R. Shaw, Enfield, N. C.
Rev. G. H. White, Wilmington, N. C.
" Sandy Fenner, Halifax, N. C.
Rev. F. M. Wilkins, Enfield, N. C.
" D. Washington, Enfield, N. C.
Rev. Isaac Whitaker, Enfield, N. C.
" T. W. McDaniel, Enfield N. C.
Rev. John Graham, Heathville, N. C.
" G. W. Nicholson, Vaughan, N. C.
Rev. J. B. Alston, Littleton, N. C.
" Milan Brown, Halifax, N. C.
Rev. M. T. Somerville, Warrenton, N. C.
" W. R. Mason, Boykins, Va.
Rev. James Jones, Weldon, N. C.
" S. G. Newsome, Margaretsville, N. C.
Rev. W. H. Shaw, Littleton, N. C.
" J. T. Taylor, Gaston, N. C.
Rev. A. W. Ivey, Aurelian springs, N. C.
" A. B. Williams, Goldsboro, N. C.
Rev. G. A. Norwood, Scotland Neck, N. C.
" Anderson Boon, Jackson, N. C.
Rev. Henderson Peebles, Jackson, N. C.
" N. F. Roberts, Raleigh, N. C.
Rev. L. W. Moye, NewBerne, N. C.
" G. S. Stamper, Cedar Rock, N. C.
Rev. A. R. Ruffin, Tarboro, N. C.
" H. L. Barco, Washington, N. C.
Rev. L. T. Christmas, Washington, N. C.

LIST OF LICENTIATE MINISTERS.

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Zant Long, Halifax, N. C.
Dallas Austin, " "
W. H. Gary, " "
Charles Pierce, " "
Richmond Faison, Weldon, "
A. J. Norwood, Garysburg, "
Nelson Squares, " "
Joseph Brewer, " "
Hal Allison, " "
Irvin Smith, " "
W. H. Harris, " "
G. W. Meachum, Enfield "
A. Harris, " "
C. C. Peters, " "
Major Whitley,
Benj. Wheelers,
William Miller,
T. A. Bishop,
Wm. Battles, Castilia, N. C.
L. P. Shearin, Littleton, "
Solomon Vinson, " "
J. H. Cousin, " "
Samuel Austin, Ringwood, "
Oren Pittman, Hartsboro, "
L. Robinson, Macon, "
A. N. Burgess, " "
E. W. Edmond, " "
Isaac Lowe, Crowell's X Rds "
S. Hockaday, Gaston, "
J. C. Bunn,
Henry Drake,
Geo. W. Gibbs, Enfield, N. C.
Jas. Brown, Margarettsville, "
Berry Powell,
Bryant Hall,
William Burton,

MINISTERIAL BOARD.

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Rev. A. N. Buck, *
" C. B. Gibbs,
" Milan Brown,
" A. B. Williams,
" W. R. Mason,
Rev. W. H. Shaw,
" F. W. Wilkins,
" G. W. Nicholson,
" G. A. Norwood,
Bro. A. P. Robinson, Sec'y of Board, Halifax, N. C.

*See list of ordained Ministers for P. O.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

Monday, September 24th, 1883.

The Association assembled in Mount Zion Church, Macon, N. C., at 5:30 o'clock P. M., in its fourteenth annual session. The President Rev. G. H. White called the Association to order, and conducted the opening exercises. On motion Rev. A. N. Buck was appointed to preach the introductory sermon. On motion Rev. A. N. Buck was allowed to select his own alternate, accordingly Rev. A. B. Williams of Goldsboro, was selected. The Association adjourned to meet at 7:30 P. M.

Evening Exercises.

Rev. A. N. Buck opened devotional service by singing hymn No. 800, Rev. A. B. Williams read xix Psalm, Rev. A. N. Buck preached a very impressive sermon from xlvi Psalm, 1 and 2, verses. A collection was then taken to the amount of ($1.11) one dollar and eleven cents. The Association adjourned with prayer by Rev. W. R. Tharpe, to meet at 9 o'clock A. M. Tuesday.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Tuesday, September 25th, 1883.

President called the Association to order, sang hymn No. 805, read 122 Psalm, prayer was offered by Bro. John Fenner. The minutes of the previous session were read and adopted. Rev. S. G. Newsome was elected assistant Secretary *pro tem.* The pastor and deacons of Mount Zion Church were appointed a committee on hours of meeting and adjourning and devotional exercises. Visiting brethren were invited to participate in the deliberations of the Association. Rev. G. S. Stamper and Bro. Irvin Smith were appointed to preach at the arbor. A committee of five was appointed on Letters and Finance, consisting of the following brethren: Phil Garris; J. H. Barkley; C. Faison; F. W. Wilkins; J. W. Dempsey. The Association adjourned.

Afternoon Session.

President called the Association to order, sang hymn No. 31, read IX chapt. St. Mark, prayer was offered by Bro. Wilkins Powell. Minutes of the previous session were read and approved. On motion, a committee of five was appointed on Resolutions, consisting of the following brethren: Bro. J. H. Brewer, Revs. W. R. Mason, W. R. Shaw, M. T. Somerville, C. B. Gibbs. A committee of five was appointed on Temperance as follows: Rev. A. N. Buck, J. W. Dew, J. B. Somerville, Revs. C. Johnson, L. T. Christmas. On motion, St. Stephen's Church was received into the Association. A committee of five was appointed on S. School and Education as follows: G. C. Caine, Revs. John Graham, H. L. Barco, A. Shepherd, Bro. D. D. Irvin. A committee was appointed on ordination as follows: Revs. A. B. Williams, A. N. Buck, C. B. Gibbs, A. Boon, W. R. Mason, Thomas Daniel. On motion, a committee of fifteen was appointed on Time and Place of the next Association as follows: Bro. Tim Person, Revs. A. N. Buck, G. W. Nicholson, Bros. Peter Darden, G. C. Caine, Henry Jackson. Henderson Dudly, Paul Boyd, Balaam Parks, Revs. W. R. Mason, S. G. Stamper, Bros. Alfred White, J. R. Williams, Bros E. D. Irvin, H. L. Barco. The committee on hours of meeting and adjourning reported the following: That the Association meet at 9 A. M.; adjourn at 1 P. M. meet at 2:30 P. M.; adjourn 5:30 P. M.; meet at 7:30 P. M.; adjourn at pleasure. On motion the report was adopted. Revs. G. W. Nicholson, M. T. Somerville, Bros. Sprigg Brean, L. Robinson, Anthony Adkins—Committee. On motion Best Grove Church was received into the Association. Committee on devotional Exercises, reported that Revs. Joseph Baysmore and W. R. Mason would preach the Doctrinal Sermon, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. W. R. Mason as alternate. Also that Revs. Sandy Fenner and James Jones would preach at the arbor at 11 A. M. Tuesday, Association adjourned with prayer by Rev. A. Shepherd.

Evening Exercises.

Rev. W. R. Mason opened devotional services by singing hymn No, 390, Rev. Joseph Baysmore read I Psalm. After which prayer was offered by Rev. W. R. Mason. Then Rev. Joseph Baysmore preached from the 26th verse of XI chapt. of St. Luke. A collection was then taken to the amount of ($3.28) three dollars and twenty-eight cents. The Association adjourned with prayer by Rev. Sandy Fenner.

THIRD DAY—Morning Session.

Wednesday, September 26th, 1883.

The President called the Association to order, sang hymn No. 555, Rev. Milan Brown read 27th Psalm, prayer was offered by Bro. Benj. Williams. The minutes of the previous session were read and adopted. On motion the Association adjourned for the space of thirty minutes to allow the various committees to consult upon matters referred to them. The Association met according to adjournment. The committee on Time and Place reported. The report was adopted and the committee discharged—See report page 16. It was ordered by the Association that the word "no" in the first line of the xi Art. of the constitution be stricken out. A committee on Ministerial Board was appointed as follows: Revs. C. B. Gibbs; Hal Allison; Bros. C. Faison; H. P. Tillery; Tim Person. On motion the Association donated to Mount Zion Church, Margaretsville, N. C., the ($14.00) fourteen dollars due the Association by that church. On motion Morning Star Baptist Church was received into the Association. The Association adjourned.

Afternoon Session.

President called the Association to order, sang hymn No. 762, Rev. M. Brown read 16th Psalm, prayer was offered by Bro. H. P. Tillery. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved. We your committee on devotional exercises beg leave to report that Rev. W. R. Shaw and Bro. Richmond Faison will preach at the arbor at 3 o'clock P. M. Report was approved. On motion, the ($2.00) two dollars paid by Shiloh Church, Arcola, to the Association for 1882, is hereby ackowledged to have been received. On motion, Lebanon Church was received into the Association. On motion, the Resolution offered by Rev. A. J. Jackson, was tabled. See Resolution page 20. The committee on Temperance reported. The report was adopted, and the committee discharged. See report, page 17. The committe on Letters and Finance reported—On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged. See report page 14. The committee on Sunday school and Education, reported. On motion, the report was adopted and the committee discharged. See report, page 13. The committee on Ministerial board reported. On motion, the report was adopted and the committee discharged. See report, page 14. On motion, Revs. Milan Brown and W. R. Tharpe were appointed to conduct the evening services. The Association adjourned.

Evening Exercises.

Rev. Milan Brown opened services by singing hymn No. 738. Rev. W. R. Tharpe read the 8th Psalm. Prayer was offered by Rev. Milan Brown, Rev. W. R. Tharpe preached from the VI chapt. Nehemiah 3rd verse. After which the committee on ordination reported. On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged. See report page 15. A collection was then taken to the amount of ($10.19) ten dollars and nineteen cents. The Association made Mount Zion church a present of a large Bible containing the revised version of the New Testament, and a hymn book; Also a Bro. who, accidently got his jaw-bone broken while preparing for the association, (7.19) seven dollars and nineteen cents.

On motion the Association went into a night session. President in the chair. On motion the reading of the minutes of previous session was suspended. On motion, a committee of three was appointed as follows: Rev. W. R. Shaw, Bros. Phil Garris and C. Faison, to visit the following churches; New Bethlehem, Seabord N. C., Cool Spring, N. C., Zion Hill, near Seaboard; N. C. to inquire the reason why they have not represented themselves in the Association for the last two years. On motion the Association went into the election of officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected: Revs. G. H. White, President; Milan Brown, Vice-President; A. P. Robinson, Recording Secretary. Revs. S. G. Newsome, Corresponding Secretary; Joseph Baysmore, Auditor; Bro. Phil Garris, Treasurer. On motion, the Association agreed to have one thousand minutes printed. Association adjourned.

FOURTH DAY—Morning Session.

Thursday Sept. 27th, 1883

President in the chair:

Rev. A. B. Williams read V chapt. St. John. Rev. G. A. Norwood sang hymn No. 800. Prayer was offered by Rev. H. L. Barco. Minutes of the previous session were read and adopted. The President of the Ministerial Board reported. On motion, the report was tabled. On motion, the resolution offered by Rev. W. R. Shaw was adopted. On motion the Association adjourned with prayer by Rev. G. H. White.

Rev. G. H. WHITE, President.

A. P. ROBINSON, Secretary.

REPORTS.

COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOL.

We your committee beg leave to report the following; Whereas, the Sunday School is an important institution in the Church of God, And whereas the work of the Sunday School is greatly neglected; therefore, *Resolved*, that every Minister of this Association take more interest in the work and preach special sermons at times during the year for the encouragement of the same, and see that their respective Schools are provided with pure Baptist literature.

Respectfully submitted.

G. C. CAINE,
H. L. BARCO,
A. SHEPHERD.
JOHN GRAHAM.
} Committee.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL BOARD.

We, your committe beg leave to report the following; as members of the ministerial Board: Revs. A. N. Buck, C. B. Gibbs, Milan Brown, W. H. Shaw, A. B. Williams, W. R. Mason, F. W. Wilkins, G. W. Nicholson, G. A. Norwood.

Respectfully submitted,

C. FAISON
C. B. GIBBS,
TIM PERSON,
H. P. TILLERY,
HAL ALLISON,
} Committee,

COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND FINANCE.

We, your Committee beg leave to report as follows: Received, 53 churches. Amount of money received ($116.25) one hundred-sixteen dollars and twenty-five cents. Amount due Association $27.75.

Respectfully submitted.

PHILIP GARRIS,
J. H. BARKLEY,
F. W. WILKINS,
J. W. DEMPSEY,
C. FAISON,
J. B. REYNOLDS.
} Committee.

COMMITTEE ON ORDINATION.

We your committee beg leave to report the following: That we have carefully examined Bro. Jas. L. Gardner and find that he comes up to the present requirement, therefore, we recommend his ordination to the gospel ministry.

Respectfully submitted.

A. J. JACKSON,
A. B. WILLIAMS,
C. B. GIBBS,
W. R. MASON,
A. BOON,
M. BROWN.
} Committee.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS. *

We, your committee beg leave to report the following: Whereas, the preaching of the gospel is such an important charge; and whereas, knowledge is progressive; and whereas, the age demands an enlightened ministry; and whereas, we believe that when God calls a person to bear his message to the world, that he also makes that person willing to prepare himself for that important calling; And whereas, we belive that a willingness to study, on the part of the person claiming to have been called, is an evidence of the fact of his having been called. Therefore. we recommend that all applicants for ordination hereafter be examined in the following branches of studies, to wit: Reading, Spelling, Writing, Geography, History of the United States, English Grammar, Profane Ancient History, Theology, Church discipline, (Hiscox) and the Bible.

Respectfully submitted.

Revs. G. A. NORWOOD,
" M. T. SOMERVILLE,
" W. R. MASON,
" W. R. SHAW.
" C. B. GIBBS,
" J. H. BREWER.
} Committee.

*The above Resolution was voted down.

*COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.**

We, your committee beg leave to report as follows: The Association shall hold its next annual session in New Bethel church, Enfield, N. C. Wednesday after the 4th Sunday in September, 1884. Bros Tim Person, A. N. Buck, G. W. Nicholson, Peter Darden, G. C. Caine. Henry Jackson, Henderson Dudley and others—Committee.

* See page 5 for the other members.

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Whereas, the progress of the nations both spiritual and temporal has been and is now being impeded by the influences resulting from the use of intoxicating liquors; And whereas, the use of tobacco in its different forms is a part of the great flood of intemperance which is now flowing through the land. and sweeping millions down to destruction; Therefore, be it *Resolved*, that this association do hereby promise to do all in its power to abstain from and prohibit the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, and the use of tobacco in its various forms, and do instruct and recommend that there be organized temperance Societies in the different churches and Sunday schools belonging to this Association to aid in carrying out the intent of this resolution. *Resolved*, that we, the ministers of this Association will do all in our power both from the pulpit and in every day life to carry out the object of the above.

Rev. A. N. BUCK,
" L. T. CHRISTMAS,
" J. W. DEW,
Bro. J. B. SOMERVILLE,
Rev. C. JOHNSON.
} Committee.

We your committee on taxation fee of church representation, beg leave to report as follows: Churches that have a membership of 800 to 1000 and over shall pay $10. Churches numbering from 500 to 700 shall pay $7. Churches numbering from 300 to 500 shall pay $5. Churches numbering less than 300 shall pay $2.

Rev. G. H. WHITE,
" W. R. MASON,
" JOSEPH BAYSMORE,
" A. N. BUCK,
" W. H. SHAW,
} Committee.

Questions Adopted in 1880 to be Answered by Applicants for License to Preach.

1 What is the grace of God?
2 How do you know you are called to preach?
3 What is the gospel?
4 What is repentance?
5 What is salvation?
6 What is preaching the gospel?
7 What is faith in the Lord?
8 What is the law of God?
9 How do the Scriptures describe God?

10 God is what?

11 What is a gospel church?

12 How is the Baptist church governed?

Applicants for ordination are requested to go before the Ministerial Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amt. on hand from 1882	$ 45 00
" received from 1883	116 25
Total Amt.	$161 25

PHILIP GARRIS, Treasurer

LIST OF CHURCHES OWING THE ASSOCIATION ON REPRESENTATION FEE

FOR 1883.

1st Baptist Halifax	$ 4 00
Gaston Baptist	4 00
Smiths Chapel	1 00
Daniel Tempel	2 00
Antioch	1 25
New Hope	1 00
Ebenezer	2 00
Mt. Zion, Macon	2 00
Cedar Grove. L. T. C.	2 00
1st Baptist, Weldon	1 00
Total amount due Association	24 25

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, It is necessary that we should have a sinking fund in our Association for the purpose of aiding in the support of superannuated ministers belonging to this Association, who have been faithful in the service of the Lord, but by reason of old age have retired, and who at the time of their retirement were in good standing with this Association. And whereas, the age demands an educated ministry; And whereas, we recognize the responsibility resting on us as missionaries to send the gospel to benighted places, therefore, *Resolved*, that each member of every church belonging to this Association, shall pay to this Association fifteen cents per year, to be appropriated as follows: Five cents for superannuated ministers: five cents for Educational purposes; two and a half cents for home missions and two and a half cents for foreign missions.

A. J. JACKSON

The above Resolution was tabled.

Whereas, We, the members of this Association have been so well cared for during our session here; therefore, *Resolved*, that we tender our heart-felt thanks to the people of this community for their hospitality toward us during our stay among them.

W. R. SHAW.

NAMES OF MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION.

1st Baptist, Halifax—J. H. Arrington, W. H. Hill,
Roanoke, Salem—Tim Person, Joseph Garris,
1*st Baptist, Weldon*—Henry Daniel,
Zion Hill—J.L. Alston, William Harris,
Gaston—Solomon Vinson,
Carter's Chapel—Gilford Gee, Allen Ivey,
Bear Swamp—John Fenner, David Clark,
Roanoke Chapel—C. Faison, Hal Allison,
Cool Spring,
Holly Grove—Jno. Boyd, Paul Boyd,
Springfield—Kemp Taylor, Dennis Neville,
Tillery's Chapel—H. P. Tillery, Robert Berry,
1*st Bap. Crowel's X Roads*—Isaac Lowe, Richard Hale,
New Hope—E. E. Gray
Rocky Mt. Bap.—G. A. Norwood, M. C. Clark,
Caledonia—By letter,
Jerusalem—Daniel Pryer,
Mount Zion, Macon—J. B. Somerville, A. M. Somerville,
Shiloh 1*st Bapt*—G. A. Norwood, Peter Darden,
Pleasant Hill—B. B. Steptoe,
Antioch, Jackson—Benj. Williams, Edmond Cooper,
New Bethel—W. R. Shaw, A. Smith.
Ebenezer—A. R. Ruffin.
Zion Hill, Seaboard.
Mud Shoal—J. H. Barkley.
St. Peter's, Weldon—W. R. Mason.
Shiloh, Arcola—Jas. R. Williams.
Hart's Chapel—Oren Pittman.
Branch's Chapel—H. Jackson,
Rocky Mt. St. John—W. L. Jones, J. B. Alston,
Hudson Hill—D. D. Irwin,
Zion Bap.—J. W. Dempsey, J. B. Reynolds,
Cedar Grove—Alfred White,
Bethlehem, Enfield—General Dickens,

Red Hill--R. H. Stokes,
Parker's Chapel--Moses Johnston,
Hook's Grove--J. W. Dew, A. Hopson,
1*st Bap. Golds.*--D. D. Irwin,
Cedar Creek--Oren Vaughan,
St. Shiloh--F. P. Battles, W. R. Shaw,
Bethlehem, Seaboard,
New Hope, Battleboro--Henry Lucas, Moses Hines,
Piney Grove--S. R. Ramsay,
Smith's Chapel--S. S. Speed,
Olive Branch, Jackson--Hal Allison,
White Oak, Ringwood.
Daniel's Chapel, Enfield--G. W. Meachem,
Jordan Hill--Reuben Palmer, Lee Roberson,
St. Paul-- Geo. Body, Geo. W. Gibbs,
Mt. Zion, Margaretsville--Wilkins Powell,
Morning Star--S. E. Jones, Carey Bunn,
St. Stephen's,
Best Grove,
Lebanon.

CONSTITUTION OF THE N. R. MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Art. 1. This Association shall be known as the Neuse River Missionary Baptist Association and shall have a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Auditor, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries who shall be elected by this Association annually.

Art. 2. This Association shall be composed of Pastors and Messengers sent from churches belonging to this Association, and all ordained Ministers and Licentiates who are members of said churches composing this Association, shall be entitled to seats.

Art. 3. Letters received by this Association from the different churches shall express the total number of members in fellowship, those baptized, those received by letter, those dismissed by letter, those ex-communicated, those deceased, and the number of Sabbath-school scholars since last session.

Art. 4. The members chosen to discharge these duties shall have no power over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any internal rights of any churches, of this Association. And no church shall intrude on the dignity and power of the pastor

while in the faithful performance of his pastorial duties, and no pastor of a Baptist Church shall be discharged except by a majority vote of its members, and not then until his salary as agreed upon by the church shall have been paid. And any minister or ministers who shall be known to interfere with another minister's church thereby causing disturbance between them and their pastor, shall be delt with by the ministerial as it thinks proper. And it shall be the duty of all pastors and deacons of churches composing this Associations to defend and maintain the constitution of the same.

Art. 5. Churches desiring to become members of this Association shall petition by letter or messenger, and upon examination if found in order, it shall be the duty of the moderator to give the right hand of fellowship to the messenger and welcome the church into the Association.

Art. 6. Every church in this Association shall be entitled to representation in this Association, and shall send from one to two messengers; but no church shall send more than two messengers and shall send funds to the Association according to the rules laid down in theminutes.

Art. 7. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

Art. 8. This Association shall furnish churches with the minutes of this Association. The best method of furnishing the minutes shall be left to the Association.

Art. 9. We believe it necessary to have an Association fund to pay the expenses of the Association, therefore each church belonging to this Association is required to pay the amount which shall be designated by the Asssociation during its session.

Art. 10. The minutes of the previous Association shall be read and corrected if necesssary. The Association shall have power to inquire the reasons why churches do not at any time of its sitting represent themselves in the Association.

Art. 11. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church which may violate the rules of this body.

Art. 12. This Association shall ordain no person to preach the gospel who does not possess the qualifications laid down in the scriptures by St. Paul, and who cannot read understandingly and write legibly. The churches are requested to adopt the same rules in licensing its applicants.

Art. 13. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any

further time and place thought most convenient to churches.

Art. 14. This Association shall appoint a Ministerial Board consisting of nine or twelve members, subject to the call of the President of the Association, with the Secretary of the Association as Secretary of the Board.

Art. 15. This constitution is subject to alternation by a two third vote of the Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Not more than one person shall speak at once, who shall rise and address the moderator by the word "brother."
3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted untill he is through, unless he is out of order.
4. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject and shall in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before, but shall fairly state the case so as to give his idea.
5. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself without obtaining liberty from the Association.
6. No brother shall speak twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.
7. No brother shall be at liberty to whisper during the time a brother is speaking.
8. The moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit his speaking until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of the Association.
9. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Secretary, and called as often as the Association may require it.
10. The moderator may give his ideas on any subject before putting it to the vote, but is not entitled to vote except in case of a tie.
11. Any member who shall knowingly break or violate any of these rules shall be reproved by the body as they may think best.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Devotional exercises.
2. Reading constitution and Rules of order.
3. Enrolling the names of messengers.
4. Appointment of committees, to wit: committee on hours of meeting and adjourning; committee on finance; committee on resolutions; committee on temperance; committee on grievances; committee on Sunday school and education.

5. Report of recording Secretary.
6. " of Treasurer.
7. " of Ministerial Board.
8. Appointment of committee on time and place.
9. Reports of the various committees.
10. Election of officers.
11. Discussion of various topics relative to church work.

	Churches.	Clerks	Post Office		Pastors	Pastor's Salary	Church Extension	Baptized	Rec by Let'r	Restored	Dis. by Let'r	Excom'ca'd	Deceased	Male Mem's	Female "	Total Membership	Amt. due Association	Value of Ch. Property	No S. S. Sch'l	No Ble Rds.	No S. S. T'rs.	St'e Miss'ns.	Foreign "	Sabbath of Worship
1	1st Bapt Halifax	A P Robinson	Halifax	N. C.	A N Buck	$200					3		7	275	359	634	$ 3 00	$ 900	130	40	4	$		1st,
2	Gaston Baptist	E W Edmonds	Dogwood	"	A N Buck	160		56		5	1	1	11	286	356	642		2500	81	30	7			3rd,
3	Roanoke, Salem	W H Haithcock	Garysburg	"	A N Buck	225	120 00	21		9	1	9	13	332	665	997	10 00	2000	75	38	8			4th,
4	1st Bapt. Weldon	S Hicks	Weldon	"	A W Ivey	125	600 00	35		9		6	6	124	396	520	6 00	1000	60	20	4			2nd,
5	1st Bapt. Crowell's X Roads	P E Thornton	Enfield	"	S Fenner	150	100 00	25	2	27		31	8	154	231	385	5 00	600	104	50	8			2nd & 4th,
6	Roanoke Chapel	C Faison	Garysburg	"	M Brown	150	12 00	4		4		5	3	125	175	300	2 00	1800						2nd,
7	Holly Grove	G W Nicholson	Vaughan	"	G W Nicholson	25		1	2			3	1	14	20	34	2 00	20	42	15	2	1	25	1st,
8	St. John	W L Jones	Rocky Mt.	"	J B Alston	75		13	2		1	8	3	54	82	136	2 00		75	20	3			3rd,
9	Rock Chapel	L R Batchelor	Mapleville	"	G S Stamper	40		17	1	2	1	4		31	35	66	2 00	200	50	30	3			3rd,
10	White Oak	N Harrington	Ringwood	"	J B Alston	100		9		5	1	3	1	90	125	215	2 00	200	66	40	2			2nd,
11	Chapel Hill	H G Wright	Ridgeway	"	Ciros Millam	11		4	3	2		4	1	14	20	34	2 00	50	25	7	2			3rd,
12	Caledonia	D A G Brocket	Tillery's Depot	"	H J. Johnson	48		6			7			80	117	197	2 00							
13	New Hope	E E Gray	Enfield	"	F W Wilkins	80	47 50	37	3	20	1	21	2	51	88	139	2 00	450	25	10	3			1st,
14	Rocky Mt. Baptist	Sam'l Albright	Rocky Mt.	"	G A Norwood	150	379 00	4		3		5	2	18	41	59	2 00	500	76	23	3			3rd,
15	Smith's Chapel				T W McDaniel	75		18		6		10		35	61	96	1 00		70	15	3			3rd,
16	Jerusalem	G W Young	Whitakers	"	Milan Brown	60	78 00	1		9	1	14	1	59	88	147	2 00	450	65	16	3			4th,
17	Bethlehem	F Drawhorn	Enfield	"	F W Wilkins	75		17		23	4	9	1	45	69	114	2 00	500	30	15	5			3rd,
18	Hook's Grove	Jack Powell	Pipeville	"	J W Dew	50	25 00	24	2		2	2		36	40	76	2 00	100	45	24	6			2nd & 4th;
19	Cedar Grove	H T Manning			J T Taylor	90	30 00	10		6		6	6	62	98	160	2 00	300	69	12	4			4th,
20	Daniel Chapel	James Pittman	Enfield	"	Thos. Daniel	30		7		9	29	8	4	91	142	233	2 00	200	65	35	3			3rd,
21	Springfield	A J Alston	Aurelian Springs	"	A W Ivey	120		8	2	8	3	9	6	76	92	168	2 00	250	65	30	6			1st,
22	Hart's Chapel	Jones Dancy	Kingsboro	"	Oren Pittman	40								14	13	27	2 00		45	20	3			3rd,
23	St. Shiloh	C F Harrison	Whitakers	"	W R Shaw	75		13		1		6		67	78	145	2 00	850	75	20	4			3rd,
24	Carter's Chapel	J H Whitehead	South Gaston	"	W H Shaw	125	60 00	14	3	2	1	3	3	130	299	429	5 00	600	43	28	2			4th,
25	New Bethel	Jack Whitaker	Enfield	"	W R Shaw	60	18 00	2	1	2		5	1			104	2 00	1200	129	29	5	6	74	2nd,
26	St Peter's	Ed. Ward	Weldon	"	R I Walden	50	125 00	6				2		10	16	26	2 00	500	25	15	3			4th,
27	Antioch	Benj. Williams	Jackson	"	A Boon	55	20 00	28	2	3	7	2	5	79	71	150		75	850	85	35	8		4th,
28	Bear-Swamp	Jas. M Harville	Brinkleyville	"	A W Ivey	67			9		1			48	52	100	2 00	200						
29	Mud Shoal	A Edmond	Tillery's	"	M Brown	53		6	2			2	2	40	60	100	2 00	150	40	15	3			1st.
30	Parker's Chapel	J Williams	Jackson	"	H Peebles				3			3				112	2 00	150	40	15				
31	Daniel's Tempel	Jas. Lawrence	Scotland Neck	"	Hal Allison									2	7	9		40	50	15	4			2nd'
32	Hudson Hill	Chas. Smith	Goldsboro	"	Major Whitley	20					7			4	3	7	2 00		60	20	3			2nd & 4th,
33	New Hope	H L Lucas	Battleboro	"	Jas. Jones	75		4		8		11	1	44	69	113	1 00	300	117	19	4			1st,
34	Jordan Hill	L H Palmer	Ashville	"	G W Nicholson	80		5		40	2	47	6	96	138	234	2 00	500	55	25	5			4th,
35	Westry Chapel	W G Armstrong	Rocky Mt.	"	J B Alston	35		2		4		8		16	18	34	1 00	50						4th,
36	Zion Baptist	J W Dempsey	Halifax	"	Thos. Daniel	50		19		2	3	3	2	48	61	109	2 00	125	60	20	4			
37	Shiloh Scotland Neck	L S Neville	Scotland Neck	"	G A Norwood	200	250 00			10	1	8	2	59	68	127	2 00	875	67	16	3			2nd,
38	Tillery's Chapel	Rodman Tillery	Halifax	"	M Brown	80		7	1	3		5		90	83	173	2 00	200	103	27	2			3rd,
39	Pleasant Hill	B B Steptoe	Dawsons X Roads	"	Sandy Fenner	75	40 00	13		4		1	2	37	44	81	2 00	260	67	35	3			3rd,
40	Best Grove	Lucius Best	Goldsboro	"	J W Dew	24		6	2		8			8	8	16	2 00	100	50	20	4			3rd,
41	Piny Grove	S R Ramsay	Jackson	"	H Peebles	75		30	1	15	1	11	4	149	202	351	5 00	400	135	65	12			3rd,
42	Ebenezer	C W Lewis	Tarboro	"	A R Ruffin	100	5 00	24		2		4		90	118	208		37	57	29	4			2nd,
43	Shiloh	W B Williams	Arcola	"	J B Alston	35		10	4					36	40	76	2 00		48	18	3			1st,
44	Mt. Zion	A M Somerville	Warrenton	"	G W Nicholson	75	24 00	2		10	2	9	7	140	170	310	3 00	320	87	50	5			2nd,
45	1st Bapt. Goldsboro	D D Irwin	Goldsboro	"	A B Williams	180		3	2	2	4	4	13	100	220	320	5 00	250	115	50	6	10	15	1st,
46	Red Hill	Robert Pittman			F W Wilkins	240		18	2	8	4		10			248	2 00		40					2nd,
47	Branch's Chapel	A R Jacobs			A Boon	75		19		1		6	5	79	138	217	2 00		50	20	2			
48	Cedar Grove Chapel	H Dudly	New Berne	"	L T Christmas			30	10			5	2			112								
49	Zion Hill	J C Alston	Sunny Side	"	W H Shaw	125		29		8	12	10	9	188	214	402	5 00	200	82	20	8			
50	St. Paul				C B Gibbs			5	2		5					167	2 00							
51	St. Stephen's	M G Pittman	Tarboro	"				3						42	83	125	2 00		163	50	6			
52	Lebanon	Lewis Williams			A N Burgess	25		9	3			1				41	2 00		31	13				
53	Morning Star																2 00							
54	Castalia	F D Henderson			O B Alston	40		26			3	5	1	80	120	200	2 00		29	14	6			